

REMARKS

In the Office Action dated October 19, 2005, the Examiner imposed a restriction requirement under 35 U.S.C. §121 between claims 1-3, directed to a product classified in class 800, subclass 422, and claims 4-9, directed to a manufacturing method, classified in class 29, subclass 602.1.

In response, Applicants elect claims 1-3. Claims 4-9 accordingly have been cancelled, without prejudice to the possibility of re-filing those claims in a divisional application.

New claims 10-15 are submitted herewith which are directed to an arrangement for manufacturing the product set forth in claims 1-3. Claims 10-15 are believed to be searchable in the same manner, and in the same classifications, as claims 1-3, and are therefore believed to be consistent with Applicants' election of claims 1-3.

If the Examiner disagrees, the Examiner is authorized to proceed with examination of the application on the merits on the basis of claims 1-3.

Submitted by,



(Reg. 45,877)

SCHIFF, HARDIN LLP
CUSTOMER NO. 26574
Patent Department
6600 Sears Tower
233 South Wacker Drive
Chicago, Illinois 60606
Telephone: 312/258-5779
Attorneys for Applicants.